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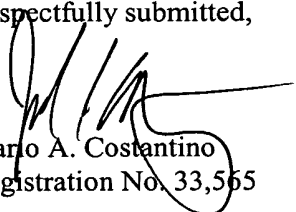
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- ☒ 4. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese Patent Publication has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See Reference 1.

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	4	Tetsuo YAMADA et al. "A Progressive Scan CCD Image Sensor for DSC applications", August 8, 2000, Fuji Film Research & Development, No. 46-2001, Pgs. 82-91					
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